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Sir:

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §1.56, §§1.97-1.98, Applicant hereby calls the following documents, which were cited in a Japanese Notice of Reason for Rejection dated May 28, 2002 for corresponding Japanese Patent Application No. 2000-41742, to the Examiner's attention:

Japanese Laid-Open Patent Publication No. 11-301058, published on November 2, 1999, together with an English language Abstract of the same;

Japanese Laid-Open Patent Publication No. 8-307677, published on November 22, 1996, together with an English language Abstract of the same;

Japanese Laid-Open Patent Publication No. 9-233248, published on September 5, 1997, together with an English language Abstract of the same;

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Japanese Laid-Open Patent Publication No. 5-201073, published on August 10, 1993,  
together with an English language Abstract of the same; and

Japanese Laid-Open Patent Publication No. 4-211977, published on August 3, 1992,  
together with an English language Abstract of the same.

Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner consider the above materials and cite the patent documents. Copies of the above-noted documents are attached and have been listed on a PTO-1449 Form which is also attached hereto. A copy of the Japanese Notice of Reason for Rejection, together with an English language translation of the same, is also attached hereto. Accordingly, the Examiner is requested to initial the appropriate spaces on the attached PTO-1449 Form and to return a copy of the Form to the Applicant with the next official communication in the present application to confirm consideration of these documents.

Further, Applicant notes that an Office Action on the merits has not yet issued in the instant application, and thus, no fee is necessary to ensure consideration of this statement.

Should the Examiner have any questions, the Examiner is invited to contact the undersigned at the below-listed telephone number.

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